

Block Island Housing Board
April 3, 2013
Town Hall, Old Town Road
4:00 p.m.

Present: Patty Murphy, Millie McGinnes, Kay McManus, Cindy Pappas, Shane Howrigan, John Spier. Rosemary Tobin arrived after the minutes vote. Also present were Joan Baker and Judy Tierney, representing the Block Island Times. Bonny Ryan was present to take the minutes.

Meeting was called to order by Cindy Pappas at 4:00 p.m.

Approval of minutes, March 6, 2013 (open and closed) and bid minutes.

March 6, 2013 minutes (open and closed) were approved in a motion by Millie McGinnes and seconded by Patty Murphy.

Ayes 6 (Murphy, McGinnes, McManus, Pappas, Howrigan, Spier) Nays 0 Absent 1(Tobin)

Minutes of the March 6, 2013 bid opening were approved in a motion by Millie McGinnes and seconded by Patty Murphy.

Ayes 6 (Murphy, McGinnes, McManus, Pappas, Howrigan, Spier) Nays 0 Absent 1(Tobin)

Public Input/Correspondence

Joan Baker submitted the attached letter outlining the repairs that had been made.

Clerk reported that she had received residency affidavits from Joan Baker and Wyatt Helterline.

The Ballard/Hall letter re: the Schwarzer property was discussed with no action.

The Tim McCabe response letter was discussed. Clerk will remind board that he needs to vacate completely by September 1, 2013. There was no action on his request for trees.

The Rhode Island Housing chart which does not include the Jacke property or Mike Shea was discussed. Millie McGinnes will work on this.

Financial Statements/Tax Collection Update

Clerk reported that \$91,609.78 had been collected to date with 240 responses to go.

A motion was made by Patty Murphy and seconded by Kay McManus to accept the financial statements.

Ayes 7(Murphy, McGinnes, McManus, Pappas, Howrigan, Spier, Tobin) Nays 0

Housing Questionnaire

The questionnaire was discussed at length and changes were made. Rosemary Tobin will make those changes and the clerk will come up with the list of names and addresses for each affordable development.

A motion was made by John Spier and seconded by Cindy Pappas to have Rosemary Tobin and Shane Howrigan amend the questionnaire as discussed and to have the clerk send it out with a stamped self-addressed return envelope.

Ayes 7(Murphy, McGinnes, McManus, Pappas, Howrigan, Spier, Tobin) Nays 0

Ratify bonding authority request

A motion was made by John Spier and seconded by Patty Murphy to ratify the bonding request.

Ayes 7(Murphy, McGinnes, McManus, Pappas, Howrigan, Spier, Tobin) Nays 0

Brown-Smith Discussion

- Removal of the two junked cars – Peter Mott will remove them for \$200 apiece. Motion was made by Patty Murphy and seconded by Kay McManus to have Peter Mott remove the cars from the Brown Smith property.

Ayes 7(Murphy, McGinnes, McManus, Pappas, Howrigan, Spier, Tobin) Nays 0

- Clean-up day for Brown-Smith – Michael McGinnes of BIRM has offered a dumpster at no charge. The clean-up will be scheduled for May 4 with a rain date of May 5. Clerk will send an announcement to all interested parties. John Spier will do an ad for the Block Island Times.

- Draft advertisement for planning and architectural services (attached). John Spier will develop a letter to be sent out to architects. Clerk will have copies of the topo and aerial photograph available.

Motion was made by Patty Murphy and seconded by Shane Howrigan to run the ad for 3 weeks starting next week.

Ayes 7(Murphy, McGinnes, McManus, Pappas, Howrigan, Spier, Tobin) Nays 0

With no business for closed session; at 5:25 a motion was made by Patty Murphy and seconded by John Spier to adjourn and voted unanimously.

Minutes approved: 5/1/2013

Bonny Ryan